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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR - REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

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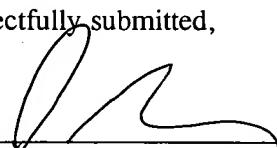
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Dear Sir:

In regard with the above captioned patent, enclosed herewith are the following:

- (1) Request for Certificate of Correction 2 pages;
- (2) One check in the amount of \$100 to cover government fees;
- (3) An acknowledgment postcard.

Respectfully submitted,


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Dear Sir:

Please issue a Certificate of Correction removing the word "sleeve" in Claim 1, col. 8, line 4 (one place) and line 6 (two places). The requisite fee is enclosed.

This mistake was obviously clerical and does not change the scope or meaning of the claim.

Note that what had been recited was a "center tent pole sleeve having a center tent pole *sleeve* disposed therein" and an "aft tent pole sleeve having an aft tent pole *sleeve* disposed therein".

Clearly, the center tent pole sleeve cannot be disposed in itself and the aft tent pole sleeve cannot be disposed in itself, and so understood the examiner, who allowed dependent Claims 2 and 3 to issue which speak of a "center tent pole" and an "aft tent pole" as though they had proper antecedent basis in Claim 1. It is thus plain from the claim and from col. 4, lines 5-10 that the second recitation of "sleeve" in both cases is a clerical error, and that what Claim 1 patently should recite is a "center tent pole sleeve having a center tent *pole* disposed therein" and an "aft tent pole

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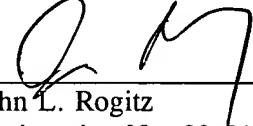
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an "aft tent pole sleeve having an aft tent *pole* disposed therein". Consequently, removing the noted extraneous recitations of "sleeve" does not change the scope of Claim 1 but rather eliminates a clerical error to give it the meaning envisioned by Patentee and the Examiner and plainly evident from the patent itself.

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